



## Ernest A. Vonau

August 18, 1924 - June 15, 2016

Ernest Vonau of Woodruff and formerly of Eagle River died June 15, 2016. He was born in Eagle River on August 18, 1924 to Fred and Marie Vonau. In younger years he worked in Illinois for what is now Frontier Telephone Co. It was here he met his wife Alice. They were married for 65 years. They returned to Eagle River where he eventually formed Ern's Tree Service which he operated for over 25 years.

Ernie was one of Jehovah's Witnesses and active in the ministry for over 63 years, helping people understand what the Bible teaches.

Ernie is survived by his wife Alice, children Rosanna (Daniel) Zandron, Jeff (Dorothy) Vonau and Nat (Kris) Vonau; four grandchildren Ben, Bethany, Zach (Chelsea) and Katrina Vonau; two great grandchildren Parabelle and Lily Vonau and a nephew Larry (Betsy) Phifer. Ernie is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A memorial service will be held at the Kingdom Hall of the Jehovah's Witnesses, Woodruff, on Saturday June 25, 2016 at 3 PM

Bolger Cremation and Funeral Services of Woodruff and Minocqua is assisting the family. Please visit [www.bolgerfuneral.com](http://www.bolgerfuneral.com) to share condolences, memories or pictures.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN **25**. 3:00 PM (CT)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses  
8656 Hwy 47  
Woodruff, WI 54568

# Tribute Wall

CB

“ Alice I'm so sorry to hear about Ernie my dear buddy June 15 will always be a day I'll remember not only did Ernie gain his wings but it also is the the day i came into this world years ago. Some people dnt kno me but I use to care for Ernie when he was living at avanti me and him had that special bond from listening him sing ,that great big smile on his face and màny of the stories he would come and find me to tell . he will be one guy I'll truly miss .  
Hugs to u Alice ,Rosanna,Jeff ,Nate and the whole Vonau family

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**Carol Burns** - June 22, 2016 at 11:11 PM

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“ Carol Burns lit a candle in memory of Ernest A. Vonau



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**Carol burns** - June 22, 2016 at 09:18 PM

TG

“ We just heard that our dear brother Ernie had passed. I always enjoyed when he came to Kingsford to give talks. Please know that our thoughts and prayers are with his family. I can't wait to see him again in the new system. I hope I am there as I know he will be.

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**Terri Gregory** - June 16, 2016 at 09:12 PM

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“ Aunt Alice, Rosanna & Dan, Jeff & Dorothy, Nat & Kris and families-  
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*So sorry to hear of Uncle Ernie's passing. Please know you ALL are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. Uncle Ernie was quite a fella---always made us laugh! I remember some of the times we came to visit and he and dad would carry on so---good memories!! I hope some of those memories put a smile on your face and some peace in your heart. Much love coming your way. ~Julie*

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**Julie Holm** - June 16, 2016 at 02:09 PM

CW

*All through school I hated that my last name started with an S because everything seemed to be chosen in alphabetical order and I was always near the end of the line. After getting married my name changed from S to W. When I attended pioneer school in 2002 we were seated alphabetically and I was glad to be a "W" as I was seated every day next to Ernie and we worked together in the ministry. Ernie's love of the truth and his devotion to Jehovah have been an encouragement to me since I was a teen-ager and I was honored to attend pioneer school with him. I will cherish these memories always. We will not be able to attend Ernie's funeral but please know that our thoughts and prayers will be with you that day. Sending our love to your family..... Cindy Wheeler*

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**Cindy Wheeler** - June 20, 2016 at 01:27 AM